

ST. PAUL'S, ESQUIMALT.

We were unable to notice in last month's number the School treat of our Sunday Scholars. A most enjoyable drive to and from Cedar Hill, a grand romp, bountiful supplies of eatables, prizes for everyone all combined to make a happy day. A short service was a pleasant break and an excellent idea on the part of our host, although at the last moment the Rector was pressed into speaking to the assembled scholars.

The Guilds seem to be thoroughly enjoyed by our younger ones if regularity of attendance and very close attention is any proof. Let us hope the memory is good.

The recognition of the importance of Holy Baptism cannot be said to be if the Font in any Church is obscure on account of make or position. The Churchwardens will not have it so in St. Paul's, and our handsome Font has been raised on three octagonal steps thus shewing to all who enter the edifice that Altar and Font should be thought of together.

We heartily welcome the officers and men of H. M. S. "Wild Swan" amongst us, and hope that during the ensuing winter we may have many pleasant times together and part at its end with the assurance of much mutual benefit.

The Thanksgiving services for the Harvest were held on October the 2nd, and the beautifying of the Church was tastefully done by many willing hands. The chief decorations centred as they should around the Altar and the Font, and a very great addition to the usual methods was made by the hanging of six new banners in the nave. These were made by members of the congregation, and, although inexpensive, add greatly to the look of a Church. Irreparable injury is often done to parts of the House of God at seasons of decoration, and money expended which we have always felt would be much more wisely expended on some needful piece of furniture or desirable adornment for the Church. We look forward to the time when women will appreciate the value of their needles; then as each joyous season occurs the idea or the mystery thereof will be evidenced in tapestry, the Church looking the nobler for it, much time and labor on the day saved, and more prolonged labor of love given. The choral eucharist will long be remembered by those who had the privilege of taking their part in it. All the services were most hearty and helpful.

ST MARY'S—The chief event has certainly been the Thanksgiving to God for the Harvest, much interest was aroused over the Festival and many willing hands came forward at the request of the Rector to prepare the Church